

June 28, 2019

Gabriela Fuentes-Creollo, M.V.Z., CMAR, EMT Animal Facility Manager and IACUC Coordinator Biosciences Area Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory One Cyclotron Road, Building 977 Berkeley, CA 94720

Dear Ms. Fuentes-Creollo:

The AAALAC International Council on Accreditation has reviewed the report of the recent site visit to the Ernest Orlando Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, California. The Council commends you and the staff for providing and maintaining an excellent program of laboratory animal care and use. Especially noteworthy were the strong administrative commitment to the program, evidenced in part by the investments in ventilated housing racks; the knowledgeable, enthusiastic, and dedicated Animal Resources staff; the excellent program of veterinary medical care, evidenced by the overall excellent health and condition of the animals; the dedicated Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, including the engaged non-affiliated member; the robust and integrated safety program provided by the Division of Environmental Health and Safety; the clean and well maintained facilities; and the excellent training program for staff and investigators. The Council is pleased to inform you that the program conforms with AAALAC International standards as set forth by the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, NRC 2011. Therefore, FULL ACCREDITATION shall continue.

Council acknowledges receipt of the correspondence dated March 28 and February 20, 2019 detailing actions taken relative to concerns expressed by the site visitors during the exit briefing. Specifically, the item addressed satisfactorily pertained to ensuring that individuals with access to the animal facilities have been risk assessed.

Council has no further recommendations to offer for improvement of the animal care and use program at this time. We look forward to following your program activities and wish you continued success.

AAALAC International requires an Annual Report detailing changes made during the year in accredited units. In the interim, AAALAC International expects to be apprised in a timely manner of significant programmatic changes or concerns should they occur. Please note that, at your request, AAALAC International will provide your institution with a separate letter simply verifying that your animal care and use program is accredited. Should you also wish to distribute an electronic copy of this letter to program staff, a Portable Document Format (pdf) version will be sent upon request.

Sincerely,

Andrew W. Grady, D.V.M., M.S.

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